(c) if so, by when it is likely to function?

THE MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN): (a) An interconnection agreement, valid upto 31st March, 2003, has been signed on 18th November, 2002 between Videsh Sanchar Nigam Limited and Bharat Sanchar Nigam Limited.

(b) For the period from 1st April, 2002 to 31st July, 2002, this agreement envisages to follow the principle for sharing of revenue from international long distance traffic as per agreement valid upto 31st March, 2002 and a revised revenue sharing arrangement based on distance and volume of traffic thereafter.

(c) The agreement is already operational.

Youth Employment Summit

*425. SHRI YADLAPATI VENKAT RAO: Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) whether any global conference of the Youth Employment Summit is proposed to be held in India in 2003; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF LABOUR (SHRI SAHIB SINGH VERMA): (a) There is no proposal under consideration of the Ministry of Labour to host any global conference of the Youth Employment Summit in India in 2003.

(b) Does not arise.

Mobile Telephony

*430. SHRI RAMACHANDRA KHUNTIA: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) the number of districts in the country connected with Mobile Telephony by the Bharat Sanchar Nigam Ltd. at present, State-wise;

(b) the number of districts still to be connected by Mobile Telephony in Orissa; and

(c) by when all the districts in the country are likely to be connected by Mobile Telephony?

THE MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN): (a) State-wise details of

the number of districts where the cellular mobile services are being provided by BSNL as on 30.11.2002 are as per Statement (*See* below).

(b) 23 Districts are still to be connected by Cellular Mobile Service in Orissa.

(c) The remaining districts in the country are likely to be covered progressively by mobile services by August/September, 2003.

Statement

State-wise details for coverage of BSNL Mobile Service

Sl.No.	Name of the State	Districts covered upto 30.11.2002
1	ANDHRA PRADESH	10
2	WEST BENGAL	12
3 (a)	BIHAR	4
3 (b)	JHARKHAND	2
4	GUJARAT	25
5	HARYANA	13
6	HIMACHAL PRADESH	4
7	KARNATAKA	27
8	KERALA	7
9 (a)	MADHYA PRADESH	6
9 (b)	CHHATTISGARH	3
10	MAHARASHTRA	32
11	ORISSA	7
12	PUNJAB	15
13	RAJASTHAN	15
14	TAMILNADU	22
15 (a)	UTTAR PRADESH	20
15 (b)	UTTARANCHAL	2
	TOTAL	226

Norms for procurement of foodgrains

*431. SHRI P.K. MAHESHWARI: Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have formulated any norms for procurement of foodgrains;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether Government have received any request from the Government of Punjab to revise the procurement norms?